

Partly cloudy tonight.  
Sunday showers; warmer.

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## TAFT BOOM OPEN

Brother of War Secretary Sends Man Out to Sound Ohio.

Sentiment of State to Be Known by Cincinnati Monday.

Believed Encouragement Here Inspired This Move.

A dispatch to The Washington Times from Cincinnati says:

"Charles P. Taft, brother of the Secretary of War, has returned from the East, and today he invited A. T. Vorys, of Columbus, to Cincinnati for a conference. After their conference, Mr. Taft said:

"On returning from my visit at Washington I requested Mr. Vorys to come to Cincinnati. I have had a talk with him and proposed that he undertake to discover the sentiment of the people of the State toward William H. Taft. He has a wide acquaintance over the State, and I have said to him that I would like to have him give as much time and attention to the matter as he can. He has said he will give me a definite answer by next Monday."

The enlistment of Mr. Vorys as manager of the Taft fight in Ohio—for that is what Ohio people say it would amount to if he should accept the invitation extended to him by Charles P. Taft—will be recognized as the opening of war. Mr. Vorys has been one of the largest figures in practical politics in Ohio. He was insurance commissioner under Herrick, and was very close to the Cleveland man, who is now enlisted under the banner of opposition to Foraker and Dick.

Charles P. Taft, confronted with the big proposition of organizing a great fight in Ohio, came to Washington for aid and comfort. Mr. Taft is a good business man and a good newspaper man, but the proposition of organizing Ohio for a fight on such a power as the Foraker-Dick-Cox machine was rather a large contract.

Encouraged Here. Mr. Taft found encouragement in Washington. He found the President ready to help, and he found Theodore E. Burton ready to get into the thick of the fight. He went home encouraged, and determined to get at work immediately. The summons to Mr. Vorys represents the first move toward setting a close, effective organization at work.

That Charles P. Taft, of Cincinnati, the brother of Secretary of War William H. Taft, is acting in full accord with the desire of the latter in sounding the State of Ohio with regard to Secretary Taft's possible candidacy for the Republican nomination in 1908, is known to be a fact. When Secretary Taft was shown today the interview given out by his brother in Cincinnati, he laughed heartily, but declined to make any statement. It was evident, however, from his manner, that he had known the intention of Charles P. Taft to call Mr. Vorys, of Columbus, into consultation with a view to discovering the sentiment of the people of Ohio toward Secretary Taft.

Launches the Boom. In a measure, the steps taken today by Charles P. Taft in Cincinnati to sound the people of Ohio with regard to his brother's possible candidacy for the Presidency, is a launching of the Taft boom for 1908. Secretary Taft himself, (Continued on Eleventh Page.)

### THE WEATHER REPORT.

Steamers departing today for European ports will have fresh west to northwest winds with fair weather to the Grand Banks.

WEATHER BUREAU.  
9 a. m. .... 61  
12 m. .... 80  
1 p. m. .... 81  
DOWN TOWN TEMPERATURE.  
(Registered Atlee's Standard Thermometer.)  
9 a. m. .... 59  
12 m. .... 70  
1 p. m. .... 81

SUN TABLE.  
Sun sets today ..... 6:15  
Sun rises tomorrow ..... 5:52

TIDE TABLE.  
High tide today ..... 3:10 p. m.  
Low tide today ..... 10:10 p. m.  
High tide tomorrow ..... 4:34 p. m.  
Low tide tomorrow ..... 11:32 p. m.

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## JUDGES NOW IN SESSION ON BEAUTY

Artists Wrestling With Problem of Who Wins Sunday Times' First Weekly Contest, Which Closed Last Night.

Over Six Hundred Photographs Received to Date, Including Many From Such Homes of Beauty as Kentucky.

Tomorrow The Sunday Times will publish the winning photograph in the first weekly prize contest of the great beauty contest.

The first contest for the weekly prize of \$25 closed last night at midnight. The judging committee, composed of two men and one woman, is busy wrestling with the problem of which is the most beautiful among the 600 and more photographs which have been submitted up to date.

The second weekly contest for a prize of \$25 is now on, and will continue until next Friday night at midnight.

On the following Saturday another judging committee will be assembled to determine which of the hundreds of photos submitted between midnight last night and midnight next Friday night is the most beautiful. The result, with a picture of the one declared the most beautiful for the week, will be published in The Sunday Times of March 31.

### TO CLOSE WITH GRAND PRIZE.

It must not be forgotten that the weekly prize contest does not decide the winner of the big beauty contest, which closes April 21. All photos submitted at any time since the opening of the contest and before its close at midnight April 21, will be considered by the commission of artists which is to determine who is the most beautiful woman in Washington.

It will give no photo an advantage to have won a weekly prize, nor will any photo be handicapped by the failure to have won a weekly prize. The judges in the weekly contests will not be the judges of the final contest.

### First Announcement Tomorrow.

Tomorrow The Sunday Times will print in addition to the winner of the weekly prize two full pages in the magazine section, showing many of the beauties who are now entered in the contest.

That there has been no cessation in the way in which photographs literally pour into the Beauty Editor's office is the most gratifying feature of the whole affair so far. With such a rich field, Washington must surely win the contest between the cities of the country.

At the hour of going to press today, the Beauty Editor has not received the photograph of the mysterious beauty who was seen on the Ninth street car at 5 o'clock Tuesday evening by a prominent business man of this city. The Sunday Times again makes its earnest request that she send in her photograph or allow The Sunday Times to have her photograph taken by any photographer she may prefer.

If she regards the plea for her picture, she is not doing her duty by her city. In order to win in this beauty quest among the great cities of the United States, Washington must have the photograph of every lovely woman who resides within the confines of the District of Columbia.

### Many Very Beautiful Pictures.

Even now there are in the Beauty Editor's office several photographs of such surpassing loveliness that there seems no doubt that, with them, the National Capital could come off a winner over the whole country. But, if there are women here still lovelier, The Sunday Times wants their photographs. To make doubly sure can do no harm, and Washington wants to go before the country fully equipped with the picture of the ope woman who tops all her sisters here in beauty.

Col. Henry Watterson, whose paper, the Louisville Courier-Journal, is seeking the beauty of Kentucky, claims that there are women here lovelier than the most beautiful in the world. He can see no other solution of the question. It will, therefore, be of interest to him to know that in The Sunday Times' quest there are entered forty-eight women who were born and who spent a part of their youth in the Blue Grass State.

### Colorado's Boast.

Colorado is out with the proud boast that she will furnish the winning beauty because the air and the climate there is the greatest beauty cultivator under the sun. It will be interesting to Colorado to know that eleven women hailing from Colorado, but residing here now, are entered in The Sunday Times' contest.

This gathering together here of the beauties from every section and State in the Union is one of the strongest foundations for the belief that Washington will win the national competition. With such a varied gallery of loveliness and charm, this city stands pre-eminently above her sisters in the material from which the prize beauty is to be chosen.

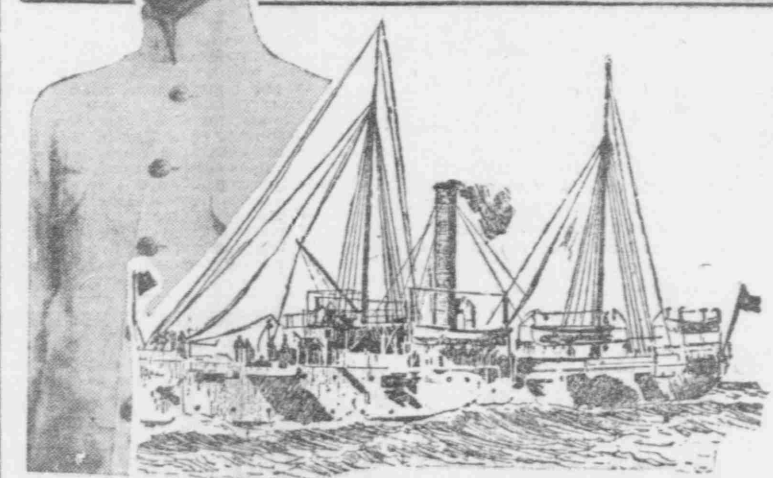
Replying to queries that continue to come to the Beauty Editor, this announcement of all the awards consequent upon the contest is made: For the photograph of the loveliest woman in Washington, the sender of the photograph will get \$100.

For the loveliest photograph submitted each week, the sender will get \$25. To the woman declared the most beautiful will go the following: A gold watch from R. Harris & Co. An evening wrap from S. Kann, Sons & Co.

A dozen \$25 photographs from The Towles Studio.

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## Big Battle Story From Nicaraguans Not Yet Confirmed



Map Showing the Three Honduran Ports Where American Bluejackets Have Been Landed; Puerto Cortez, Truxillo, and Ceiba—The U. S. Gunboat Marietta Is Shown Below the Map, With Her Commander, William F. Fullam, U. S. N., Who Sent the Marines and Jackies Ashore.

## SMITH SUES TO SET ASIDE BELMONT DEED

Claims Property Conveyed By Amzi Barber Was in Error.

A suit in equity was today filed in the District Supreme Court by William Wheeler Smith, of New York. Amzi L. Barber, of this city, his wife, Julia Louise Langdon Barber, John J. Albright, the Washington Loan and Trust Company, and Albert A. Wilson and John B. Larner, trustees, to set aside the conveyance of Belmont, Mr. Belmont's home at Fourteenth street and Florida avenue. Mr. Smith recently secured a judgment by default against Mr. Belmont for \$23,842.11.

In his petition Mr. Smith claims that Mr. Barber conveyed to Mr. Albright the Belmont property for the purpose of preventing the execution of the judgment, and he asks that a receiver for the property be appointed and that the trustees, Wilson and Larner, be enjoined from offering the real estate for sale under a deed of trust, pending the disposition of this proceeding. The deed conveying the property to Albright is dated July 17, 1903.

Mr. Smith alleges that the property is subject to a trust to Wilson & Larner, trustees, on which there is now due the Washington Loan and Trust Company \$150,000. He asks that the property be sold under direction of the court and, after the payment of the trust company's loan the balance be applied to satisfying his judgment.

## BEASLY GETS ALLEGED CLUE TO HIS KIDNAPED BOY

ELIABETH CITY, N. C., March 23.—Former State Senator Beasley, for the "kidnaping and murder" of whose son, Kenneth, the Pasquotank county court sentenced Joshua Harrison to twenty years in the penitentiary, has received from a lawyer in Arkansas what he regards as a clue concerning his boy, and he has left for that State to follow up the report sent him.

## NO NEWS TODAY ABOUT POSITION OF MARIETTA

State Department officials are anxiously awaiting further advice from the scene of hostilities in Nicaragua, they being in doubt as to the reliability of yesterday's reports of a three-day battle in which over 1,000 Salvadoreans were slain. This report was furnished to an American consul in Nicaragua by that government and officials here prefer to have something from Honduras before finally accepting it as true. Developments of the past few days show clearly that the situation is critical, and the talk of joint American and Mexican intervention increases.

### No Dispatch Today.

No news reached the State Department through either diplomatic or consular representatives or the Navy Department today. If such a battle as reported has taken place, it is thought that other accounts should have come through by this time, if communication has not been interrupted.

The Navy Department has received no information from war ships in that territory, the last dispatch coming from Commander Fullam, of the Marietta, Thursday, under date of Wednesday at Truxillo. It was said then that the Marietta, after landing a squad of blue-jackets, was coasting to Puerto Cortez, further up the Honduran north coast.

### Communication Interrupted.

The trip would require, under ordinary circumstances, about twenty-four hours, so there is some disappointment that the Marietta was not heard from today. This may be accounted for by the fact that both Ceiba and Truxillo are in the hands of Nicaraguans, who may have intercepted communication to the outside world. Wire communication by land is also in a doubtful condition at Honduras.

### FILES PETITION IN BANKRUPTCY.

Henry C. Miller, by his attorneys, Brandenburg & Brandenburg, today filed in the District Supreme Court a petition asking to be adjudged a bankrupt. Mr. Miller lists his liabilities at \$21,394, which debts were contracted while engaged in the milling business at Gathersburg, Md., about 1901, and his assets at \$1,811.

## PRESIDENT IN THE HUNT FOR KIDNAPED BOY

Roosevelt Answers Appeal of Dr. Marvin With Promise That Government Will Give All Possible Aid in Search.

Police of Two Continents Engaged in the Work of Locating Little Horace---Many Valueless Clues, But No Trace of Child.

No less an agency than the President of the United States enlisted today in the search for little Horace Marvin, Dr. Horace Marvin's four-year-old son, who disappeared mysteriously from his home in Dover, Del., nearly three weeks ago.

And, in entering his efforts in the search, the President promised the stricken father all the aid the Government of the United States, especially the Postoffice Department, could lend toward finding the boy.

### PROMISES HIM THE HELP.

In a letter to Dr. Marvin today, Mr. Roosevelt promised him the help mentioned. This letter was a response to a telegram from Dr. Marvin asking that the postoffice authorities be allowed to display his offers of reward, etc., in public buildings, and that something be done to determine the authorship of letters the doctor has received demanding money and threatening the life of the lost child.

This scouring of two continents for little Horace Marvin, with the President of the United States enlisted in the search, is one of the greatest criminal hunts ever engaged in. The President, in his letter to Dr. Marvin, condemns in plain terms the person or persons who may have stolen the boy. The consequence of the nation is aroused.

### Extent of the Search.

Conductors of railroad trains, proprietors of hotels, every police system in this country and some in Europe, and thousands of detectives and private individuals are working to relieve the suspense of a father who, grieving his heart away, knows not where to turn in the wilderness of false clues that are brought to him.

### Father Has Broken Down; His Resources Exhausted

DOVER, Del., March 23.—After nearly three weeks' constant search and investigation of countless clues which proved worthless the mystery surrounding the disappearance of little Horace Marvin, the four-year-old son of Dr. Horace Marvin, is as deep as ever. Today Dr. Marvin is practically without any clue, he is nearly broken down under the strain of the last three weeks, and he has exhausted his resources in the search for his child.

Two new clues were presented today, but Dr. Marvin takes little stock in either. One came from Plymouth, England, saying that a boy resembling little Horace, and men believed to be his kidnappers are held there. F. P. Koles, a Polish conductor, who makes the trip on the New York Central from New York to Chicago, offered the second clue, saying the boy resembling little Horace was on his train Thursday evening. Three boys were entrusted to his custody and two women met them at Buffalo. He believes one of the boys was the Marvin child.

## Urges Upon Roosevelt Attempt to Abolish the American Frying Pan

Roosevelt Editor, The Washington Times:

If Mr. Roosevelt really does retire at the end of his present term as President, and—

If he wants a job that will knock the canal-digging hollow for strenuousness, and—

If he wants to benefit every single individual of the entire nation, let him—

Abolish the American Frying Pan and the national dragon of dyspepsia at the same time.

That will keep him busy.

And will help to prevent race suicide.

Yours truly,

JULES F. JAQUET.

Hyattsville, Md., March 22, 1907.

Thus is the field of future activity for Theodore Roosevelt extended by Times readers. Their answers are many to the question:

What Shall Theodore Roosevelt Do March 5, 1909?

Some would have him build the Panama Canal. Some consider, but do not recommend, a diplomatic career. Some propose that he shall serve in the Senate from the country at large. One urges that he preach the gospel. And now comes Mr. Jaquet who wants him to fight the historic frying pan.

A synopsis of the answers received by The Times up to last night has been sent the Philadelphia North American. That paper has volunteered to act as a clearing house for the opinions expressed in each of the fifty-four largest cities of the country. Next Sunday's Times will publish a tabulation of the replies written to all those papers, together with most of the opinions sent by citizens of the District of Columbia to The Times.

### Conditions of Contest.

The Sunday Times invites you to express your views also, and so to join in this national primary. The only conditions are the following:

Keep your opinion within 100 words.

Address it to the "Roosevelt Editor, The Sunday Times, Washington, D. C."

Explain clearly why you have chosen the particular career you suggest.

Reduced to \$2.50 per 100 feet.

## DOCTOR'S ASHES DEPOSITED IN HOOSIER NATIONAL BANK

BOONEVILLE, Ind., March 23.—The Booneville National Bank has received a deposit for safe keeping. It is a box containing the ashes of Dr. Charles Keegan, who died about two weeks ago. The deposit of the ashes in the bank was pursuant to the request of Dr. Keegan before his death.

### SELECT COLORED MAN.

TOLEDO, Ohio, March 23.—Representative Isaac R. Sherwood, of the Ninth district, although he has served but twenty days of his term, has secured the appointment of Fred T. Fish, the first colored man from this district ever to receive a Washington appointment. He is to fill a position as clerk in the department of commerce and labor.

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